

Born: May 29, 1980 Residence: San Antonio, TX

Nationality: USA

Rank/Rate: E-6 Petty Officer 1st Class/Crypto-logic Tech. Int.

Height: 6′5″ Weight: 195

Classification: T44 below the knee amputee

Event: Track & Field Pentathlon (long jump, shot-put, 100m,

Discus, 400m)

100m, 200m, 400m, and Long Jump

PRs Long Jump 6.56 meters 2008 US Nationals

Shot-put 12.43 meters 2008 US Nationals

100m 11.47s Mt. Sac 2008 Discus 46.90 meters OTC 2008

400m 53.13seconds Olympic Trials 2004

200m 23.09s Azusa Pacific 2008

## Accomplishments:

2008: Gold Medalist 200m (23.12s)US Paralympic Nationals, Arizona

Gold Medalist Long Jump (6.37m)US Paralympic Nationals Silver Medalist Pentathlon US Paralympic Nationals, Arizona

Bronze Medalist 400m US Paralympic Nationals Bronze Medalist 100m US Paralympic Nationals

Gold Medalist 200m Paralympic World Cup Manchester, UK

Silver Medalist Long Jump Paralympic World Cup Manchester, UK

Silver Medalist 100m Paralympic World Cup

2<sup>nd</sup> Place 100m (11.47s) Mt. Sac Paralympic Exhibition Race

2007: Gold Medalist International Paralympic Day Long Jump

Silver Medalist 200m US Nationals Bronze Medalist 100m US Nationals 1st Place 100m Endeavor Games 1st Place 200m Endeavor Games

2006: Gold Medalist Pentathlon IPC World Championships

Silver Medalist Long Jump IPC World Championships

2005: \*\*Did not attend any competitions due to military deployment to

Afghanistan\*\*

2004: Gold Medal 4x100m Athens Paralympic Games

Silver Medal,\* New American Record\* Pentathlon

2<sup>nd</sup> Place T44 400meters Olympic trials

2003: 1st place 100m Hanger Endeavour Games

1st place 200m Hanger Endeavour Games
1st place 400m Hanger Endeavour Games
2nd place 400m Rocky Mountain State Games

## Awards:

- 2007 ESPN ESPY winner for "Best Male Athlete with a Disability"
- 2008 San Diego Hall of Champions award
- 2008 Goodwill Walter Knott award
- 2006 Olympic Training Center Athlete of the Month (Oct)
- 2005 Military Times Service Member of the Year Honoree
- 2004 Paralympic Athlete of the Year
- 2004 Federal Employee of the Year with a Disability
- First Active Duty Military Member to compete in Paralympic Games

## Special Notes:

After losing his leg in a motorcycle accident in 2001, Tibbs remained active duty in the U.S. Navy and went on to become the **first active-duty military personnel** to compete in the Paralympic Games in 2004. In addition to winning a silver medal in the pentathlon, he was part of the gold medal-winning 4x100m relay team in Athens.

Following the Games, Tibbs was deployed to Afghanistan for eight months to work as a cryptologic technician. When he returned to the U.S., Tibbs helped out with the 2005 Paralympic Military Summit in San Diego, and then headed on another deployment — this time to Sao Paulo, Brazil. When he returned from the second deployment, he and his wife relocated from San Antonio to San Diego.

Since moving to the west coast, Tibbs has been able to be very active in his athletic and military careers. In May 2006, he began training at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista, Calif., in addition to his work at U.S. Naval Medical Center-San Diego as a peer counselor to amputees returning from war.

The summer of 2007 Tibbs had the honor of being selected for the ESPY award for best athlete with a disability in which more than 10 million people voted. He won this award being the first military member to receive the award while serving on active duty. Casey Tibbs' success came from the determination of becoming a world class athlete after loosing his leg. He has never looked back and tries to share his determination along with others everyday of his life.

Tibbs is hoping to do something amazing in the 2008 Paralympic Games in Beijing. He has qualified for the Pentathlon, 200m, 400m, long jump and the pool for the 4x100m relay team. He is ranked highly in each of the events and has great chances to medal in each. He's known as the "jack of all trades" when it comes to track and field in the Paralympic games.



